

**Liberty Township Board of Supervisors  
2018 Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes  
39 Topper Road, Fairfield, PA 17320**

**November 13, 2018  
7:30 PM**

The Board of Supervisors of Liberty Township, of Adams County, met at 7:30 PM Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at the Liberty Township Municipal Building, 39 Topper Road, Fairfield, PA 17320 to review the 2019 budget.

**Present:** Chairman John Bostek, Vice Chairman Bob Jackson, Supervisors Walter Barlow and Secretary/Treasurer Wendy Peck.

Mr. Bostek called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

**2019 Proposed Budget:** Copies of the draft proposed 2019 budgets were made available to the public during the meeting. Mr. Bostek explained that the draft proposed budget presented at the meeting had three columns representing each of the Supervisor's proposed budget. Over the past several months the Supervisors had worked independently with the Township Secretary/Treasurer to come up with a proposed budget. There was much discussion between the Supervisors and members of the public which included proposed tax increase, use of reserve funds and eliminating the police department. All Supervisors had agreed with the Secretary/Treasurer's proposed budget for the Liquid Fuels Fund at \$146,440, and the Capital Reserve Fund at \$93,180. All Supervisors agreed with the proposed budget for the Fire Tax Fund at \$41,412 with the exception that 03.411 Fire Tax Distribution not be shown as broken out between the fire companies and remain a summary total.

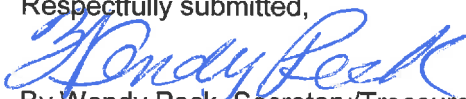
All Supervisors had agreed with the Secretary/Treasurer's proposed budget for the General Fund income and expense items with the following exceptions:

- Mr. Bostek proposed a .45 mil tax increase. Mr. Jackson proposed using \$50,148.47 from cash reserves instead of a tax increase. Mr. Barlow proposed a .5 mil tax increase. After some discussion, Mr. Bostek made a motion to increase real estate taxes by .1125 mil for 2019 and transfer \$31,910.46 from the General Reserve Fund to the General Fund. Mr. Jackson seconded the motion. Mr. Bostek voted yes. Mr. Jackson voted yes. Mr. Barlow voted no. The motion passed.
- Mr. Bostek proposed a 2% wage increase for the Secretary/Treasurer. Mr. Jackson and Mr. Barlow proposed no increase. Mr. Barlow made a motion for the 405.13 Secretary Wages to remain at \$40,832. Mr. Jackson seconded the motion. Mr. Barlow voted yes. Mr. Jackson voted yes. Mr. Bostek voted no. The motion passed.
- Mr. Bostek previously proposed a 2% wage increase for the Police Chief while Mr. Jackson and Mr. Barlow proposed no increase. Now that the chief of police had resigned, Mr. Bostek reconsidered his proposed increase. Mr. Bostek made a motion for 410.12 Police Chief Wages to remain at \$59,500. Mr. Jackson seconded the motion. All voted yes, and the motion passed.
- Mr. Barlow proposed that the annual budget for part time wages be reduced to \$4,000. Mr. Bostek and Mr. Jackson proposed that it stay the same at \$12,800. Mr. Jackson made a motion for 410.14 Police Part-Time wages be set at \$12,800. Mr. Bostek seconded the motion. Mr. Bostek voted yes. Mr. Jackson voted yes. Mr. Barlow voted no. The motion passed.

The Proposed General Fund budget passed for advertisement at 338,867.47. The Proposed 2019 Budget would remain open for public inspection for the required 20 days. It was posted to the website and available at the Township Municipal Building. The Board would consider adopting the proposed 2019 budget at the December 4 meeting.

At 9:10 PM, Mr. Bostek made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Barlow seconded the motion. All voted yes, and the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

  
By Wendy Peck, Secretary/Treasurer